ARTICLE V

(Permits Mail Ballots) Elections

Section 1. Ballots

All elections shall be by mail on ballots provided by the credit union in such form as authorized by the board of directors.

Section 2. Nominating Committee

a. At least ninety (90) days prior to each annual meeting, the chairperson of the credit union shall appoint a nominating committee of not less than three (3) members. It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate at least one (1) member for each vacancy for which elections are being held, and to file a written report with the general manager at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting. The name of the member(s) nominated shall be conspicuously posted in the home office of the credit union and mailed to the last known address of or handed in person to each member.

Other Nominations

- b. Other nominations may be made in writing over the signatures of _____ members on nomination forms which shall be obtained from the credit union. All nominations shall be filed with the general manager at the credit union at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting.
- c. No names may be inserted in the ballot at any time except as provided in subsection (a) and (b) of this section.

Section 3. Form of Ballot

The board of directors shall cause a ballot with instructions to be prepared which shall clearly list the nominee(s) classified as to the board or committee for which they are nominated. All nominees names shall appear on the ballot in equal preference except that incumbency may be signified. A square shall be provided preceding each name, in which the voting member shall place a mark to indicate his/her choice. No names may be written in on the ballot. If any names are added by the voter such names shall not be counted

Section 4. Mailing the Ballot

At least fifteen (15) days before each annual meeting, a ballot, as provided in Sections (1) and (3), shall be mailed to each member at the last address of record. Each ballot shall be accompanied by an envelope bearing no identification, though it may bear printed instructions as to use; and a second envelope bearing the address to which the ballot is to be returned and the name and account number of the voting member.

Section 5.Completing the Ballot

It shall be the duty of each member to mark the ballot received according to instructions, seal it in the unidentified envelope, which in turn shall be sealed in the addressed envelope, and deposited in the United States mails, postage paid, in time to be received at its destination not later than three (3) days prior to the date of the annual meeting of members.

Section 6. Credentials Committee

At least ten (10) days prior to each annual meeting, the chairperson shall appoint a credentials committee, whose duty shall be to receive the votes and check the names as they appear on the addressed envelope against the membership list. Votes which cannot be so checked shall not be counted. From the votes of members entitled to vote, the credentials committee shall remove the addressed envelope and deliver it to the secretary of the credit union. The inside envelope shall be initialed by at least two (2) members of the credentials committee and delivered, unopened, to the committee of tellers.

Section 7. Tally Ballots

At least ten (10) days prior to each annual meeting, the chairperson shall appoint a committee of tellers, whose duty it shall be to receive the ballots from the credentials committee, tally the ballots and report the results to the membership at the annual meeting. All elections shall be determined by a plurality vote of the members voting. Records of the voting shall be incorporated in the minutes of the meeting.

Section 8. Disposition of Ballots

After preparing its report, the committee of tellers shall enclose the ballots and tally sheets in a sealed package and deposit such package with the secretary of the credit union. After ninety (90) days, the board of directors may order the package destroyed.

Until the board of directors shall order the package destroyed, it shall not be opened except in the presence of a quorum of the board.

Section 9. Unanimous Vote

Notwithstanding any other provisions in these bylaws to the contrary, in the event that only one (1) person is nominated for each vacancy, as provided in Section 2 of Article V, the general manager shall so certify to the secretary, who shall then cast a unanimous ballot for election of the persons nominated.

In the event of election by unanimous ballot, the secretary shall report the election results to the membership at the annual meeting.

In the event of election by unanimous ballot, the procedures set forth in Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of this Article shall be disregarded.

Section 10. Notification to Commissioner

Within ten (10) days following the election or appointment of any officer, director, or committee member it shall be the duty of the secretary to notify the Commissioner of the Office of Financial and Insurnace Services, in writing, of the person or persons elected or appointed, giving the name and current address of each person and the position to which each has been elected or appointed.